



### AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116 EXPEDITED PROSECUTION - GROUP ART UNIT 1763

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# **PATENT APPLICATION**

#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  TADASHI SAWAYAMA ET AL.  Application No.: 10/776,173	)	
	:	Examiner: Ram N. Kackar
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	:	Group Art Unit: 1763
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For: PROCESSING APPARATUS,	)	
EXHAUST PROCESSING	:	
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# AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

### a.) <u>Introductory Comments</u>

In response to the final Office Action mailed June 15, 2006, kindly amend the subject application under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 as follows: